

# REPUBLICAN CONVENTION HALL HAS A PICTURESQUE HISTORY NO BITULITHIC SAYS BALLENTYNE

Coliseum Sheltered G. O. P. of  
1904 and 1908—Roosevelt and Taft.

[By Associated Press]

CHICAGO, Ill., May 26.—For the third time since its erection thirteen years ago the doors of the Coliseum will be thrown open June 18 for the accommodation of a Republican National Convention. In 1904 the Republicans nominated Col. Theodore Roosevelt for President in this building and in 1908 under the same roof William H. Taft was chosen as the party's standard-bearer.

The Coliseum is on Wabash avenue between 15th and 16th streets, less than a mile from the center of Chicago's retail shopping and hotel district and is accessible from all parts of the city by elevated roads and surface lines. The Coliseum is 305 feet long, 170 feet wide and 70 feet in height, built of stone, brick, steel and concrete, and is fire-proof.

On Site of Libby Prison.

It stands on the site of the old Libby prison, which was brought to Chicago from Richmond, Va., in sections and rebuilt the rear of the world's fair by Charles F. Gunther and used to exhibit a valuable collection of Civil War relics. It is of modern Romanesque combined with the English castellated type of architecture and cost \$800,000. It has been the scene of many notable assemblages. It has eleven large exits and can be emptied in five minutes in an emergency.

The sub-committee on arrangements of the Republican National Committee under the direction of Col. Harry S. New has expended \$10,000 preparing the building for this year's National convention of the Republican party. The building has 11,188 seats, of which 7988 are on the main floor and 3200 in the balcony.

The speakers' platform is built against the south wall of the structure and extends across the entire width of the building. It is 75 feet deep and contains 1932 seats, which will be occupied by the chairman, officers of the convention, members of the National committee and distinguished guests.

Noiseless Telegraphy. The seats back of the chairman's table will be slightly elevated, directly beneath the chairman's table is space for four noiseless telegraph instruments and their operators, by which news of the convention's proceedings will be flashed to the world. On both sides and extending in a half circle around the front of the platform are seats and tables for 400 working newspapermen and correspondents from all parts of the country.

Directly in front of these are seats for the 1078 delegates arranged by States. This space will be enclosed by a railing and closely guarded by a large force of sergeants-at-arms. Back of this are seats for the 1078 alternates

enclosed by a railing. On both sides and in the rear of the space occupied by the delegates and alternates are 3500 elevated seats for visitors. At the north end of the building a special bandstand will be erected. In the balcony which extends around the four walls of the building there will be 3200 seats for visitors.

To avoid confusion in seating the crowd each entrance will be placarded showing the sections for which it will be used and each ticket will bear the letter of the entrance for which it is intended. By this plan delegates and visitors will enter the door nearest the seats assigned them.

Want Quiet Convention.

The platform, aisles and all open spaces will be covered with matting to insure the maximum of quiet while the convention is in session. Five hundred public telephones and a large number of telegraph instruments are being installed in various parts of the building for the accommodation of delegates and the public. Architect Arthur G. Brown has arranged the seats in such manner that the chairman's platform may be seen from every section of the large hall. Sergeant-at-Arms William P. Stone will be assisted by a force of 800 deputy sergeants-at-arms, doorkeepers, ushers and attendants. A special telephone system is being installed which will enable Sergeant-at-Arms Stone, from his desk on the platform, immediately to communicate with his assistants in any part of the hall.

In the two-story annex adjoining the main building on the south are the offices of the Republican National Committee private rooms for the use of the chairman, secretaries and sergeants-at-arms, quarters for the committees on permanent organization, credentials and resolutions, and a fully-equipped postoffice.

## MANY GOVERNMENT LOTS TO BE SOLD SATURDAY

A land auction will take place on the steps of the Capitol at noon Saturday, when Land Commissioner Joshua D. Tucker will offer to the highest bidder a large number of lots from the Waiakoa, Makiki and Koluoua tracts.

There are thirty-five lots in the Makiki tract to be offered, these ranging in size from 1/4 of an acre to three acres each, with an assessed value ranging from \$720 to \$2195 per lot. In the Waiakoa tract are twenty-two lots, valued at \$250 to \$450 each, and in the Koluoua tract are forty-five lots, valued at \$10 to \$300 each.

There is a rumor in circulation here that the cruiser Colorado will pass through Honolulu the latter part of this month, probably stopping here several days. The Colorado's boilers are in bad shape, and it is known that she is due for reserve at Bremerton, but whether she would be sent across alone is extremely doubtful.

Bitulithic as a material for paving between tracks and along the right-of-way occupied by the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land Company is not favored by the management, according to the declaration made before the entire membership of the board of supervisors at last night's meeting.

"The matter of laying a pavement between our tracks was taken up at a meeting of our directorate held today," stated Mr. Ballentyne, manager of the traction company, "and we have arrived at the conclusion that in view of the contemplated application for a ruling by the Supreme Court of the United States we cannot put down any style of pavement or enter into an agreement with the City and County government to do so, even under protest.

"The question that is to be brought before the highest tribunal of the country is one based upon certain facts, and should the company decide to lay a pavement, this question would be removed and there would be nothing before the Supreme Court."

Mr. Ballentyne pointed out that the Rapid Transit Company believed it not well advised to enter into any sort of agreement to lay a pavement at the present time.

The management of the local street railway line also took occasion to positively state that bitulithic as a paving material to cover the entire area between the tracks was impossible. He contended that blocks must be laid adjoining the rails in order that repairs could be easily effected.

"Bitulithic pavement is wholly unsuited to the conditions under which we must operate," he said. "We could not conveniently carry on track-repairing and we would be, at all times, under control of the owners of the bitulithic patents. We have to have a Supreme Court decision now to protect ourselves. There can be no compromise, because no compromise could protect us against any injunction proceedings any citizen could bring if we proceeded with the question not definitely and finally decided."

"For that reason our company does not think it wise to enter into an agreement to put down a pavement under the circumstances, as there are questions of law at stake which we believe should be interpreted by the highest tribunal in the land. It is a right which we possess just as an individual possesses. I stated here last evening that I was hopeful some arrangement could be reached, but I did not foresee the question raised by our attorney."

The Honolulu road department will get along on \$8500 for the month of June, according to estimates furnished the board at a meeting held last night. Out of this sum cleaning city streets will require \$2500, patching \$1500, purchase of asphalt binder \$700, and office expenses \$570.

Fire Chief Thurston has been authorized to turn back one horse to the Territorial Government, no further use having been found for the animal in the department.

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ment from the fire chief. The property risk involved amounted to \$5000. Among reports received of mileage traveled by municipal autos, the Fire Department machines are said to have covered 259 and 384 miles respectively.

Sheiff Jarrett reported Mileage of police machines for May as follows: Number 1, 1548 miles; Number 2, 1083 miles.

Early Start on Puuloa Road.

The City fathers propose to get busy with the construction of Puuloa road. Last evening Engineer Whitehouse reported that he had complied with the request of the Board asking for plans and specifications. These documents were forthcoming and after inspection were turned over to the County Attorney and City Engineer for minor correction. It is proposed to advertise for bids for the construction of this road within a few days.

Sheriff Jarrett and Deputy Sheriff Rose had an important conference this morning in the Sheriff's office. It is reported that a few chances will be made in the Police Department.

## Sachs for Dry Goods

## HOLSTEIN MAKES BIG HIT WITH UNCLE JOE

(Special Bulletin Correspondence.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 24.—H. L. Holstein, Republican National Committeeman from Hawaii, is ready for the fray which begins early in June, when he and his associates will begin the adjustment of contests. Col. Samuel Parker is here with the Committeemen. They will take a flying visit to New York and see the sights before leaving for the serious work in Chicago.

During his stay here Mr. Holstein has been much entertained and made to feel entirely at home. Some member of the Hawaiian colony has had him continually in tow and been insisting him into the mysteries of the Capital City.

Among his other triumphs Mr. Holstein made a great hit with Uncle Joe Cannon, the former Czar of the House. The ex-Speaker took a day to the visitor and extended many courtesies. Not the least of these was an invitation to see his limousine at any time.

## JUSTICE IS DEALT OUT TO A WIFE-BEATER

William Pamakahi, a strong lad, appeared before Police Judge Monsarrat this morning on a charge of assault on his wife, and was sent to the "reef" for four months.

Pamakahi, according to the prosecution, knocked down his wife and kicked her in the face so severely that she was blinded. Not satisfied with this, Pamakahi, wearing shoes, walked over her prostrate body until neighbors came to her assistance. The wife, who was unable to come into court yesterday, was present this morning during the trial.

Defendant said he beat his wife because of her unfaithfulness to him. He said he found her with another man one day, and this angered him so that, instead of beating the man, he struck his wife. Judge Monsarrat gave the defendant a stiff lecture and sent him to the "reef," as stated above.

Recently the police court calendar was filled with the names of those arrested for beating their wives around the heart.

## WILL TURN TIDE OF TOURISTS TOWARD HAWAII

CHICAGO, Ill., May 28.—The first steps toward the formation of a permanent organization among the railroads for the purpose of turning the tide of American travel from Europe to the magnificent scenic spots of our own country were taken at a dinner given by C. W. Pitts, general agent of the Great Northern Railroad in Chicago, to more than 200 passenger traffic representatives of the Western railroads centering in Chicago.

The suggestion from Mr. Pitts that such a movement be started was received with enthusiasm by the railroadmen, and the nucleus of a permanent organization was at once formed. With Mr. Pitts, E. L. Bevington, secretary of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, was selected to look after the initial arrangements.

"Every year from \$350,000,000 to \$100,000,000 of American money is spent in Europe by tourists, the great proportion of whom do not know the first thing about the unsurpassed splendor of the scenery within their own country," said Pitts.

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